Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, The people of the state of South Dakota have been fortunate to be the recipients of the endeavors of a special class of individuals devoted to making our state number one in the transportation field; and,

Whereas, Larry E. Engbrecht joined an elite group of employees as a graduate engineer in the Department of Highways on May 21, 1973, and Larry's career with the department has taken him to posts in Sioux Falls, Huron, Winner and Pierre, and during his tenure with the department, Larry has served the people of South Dakota in the engineering field as Winner Area Engineer, Materials & Surfacing Engineer and most recently as the Pierre Region Engineer; and,

Whereas, Larry has always exhibited the highest standards of professionalism, integrity and leadership in his work with contractors, co-workers and dealings with the general public; and,

Whereas, Larry has the most recognizable laugh in the entire Department of Transportation and has, without hesitation, shared his joy in living with everyone around him; and,

Whereas, Larry has been married to Rachel, his high school sweetheart, for 35 years and together they have given life and love to three children: Jason, Jeremy and Jessica in the traditions of a Christian family-oriented home, and as their children grew, they welcomed Brenda, Lindsey and Tom into their family, and now share the joy of five grandchildren: Mackenzie, Delaney, Livia, Maisy and Isaac; and,

Whereas, In addition to serving the Department of Transportation, Larry has managed to raise his family, serve his church and community and find a few hours to devote to his passions of hunting and fishing; and,

Whereas, Larry has chosen, after 33 years of service to the Department of Transportation and this great state of South Dakota, to take "early" retirement in order to pursue new horizons:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2006, as

LARRY E. ENGBRECHT DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State